HOUSE BILL 1387 By Boyer

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code

Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, Section 120, and Title 68, Chapter 140, Part 5, relative to licensure denial, suspension or revocation and out-of-state discipline.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. The heading for Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-120 is amended by deleting all the language contained therein and substituting therefor the following language and punctuation:

63-1-120. Grounds for license denial, suspension or revocation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-120 is amended to add the following as a new, appropriately lettered subsection:

() With respect to any person required to be licensed, permitted, certified or authorized, by

any board, committee, council or agency attached to the Division of Health Related Boards, each respective board, commission or agency may deny an application for licensure, permanently withhold issuance of a license, suspend or limit or restrict a previously issued license or otherwise discipline a license, if the applicant or licensee has been disciplined by another state or territory of the United States for any acts or omissions which would constitute grounds for discipline of a licensee licensed, permitted or certified in this state. A certified copy of the initial or final order or other equivalent document memorializing the disciplinary action from the disciplining state or territory shall constitute prima facie evidence of a violation of this section, and shall be sufficient grounds upon which to deny, restrict or condition the license, permit, or certificate, renewal or application and/or otherwise discipline a licensee licensed in this state.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-140-511 is amended to add the following as a new, appropriately numbered subsection, with the following language and punctuation:

() disciplinary action against a person licensed to practice by another state or territory of the United States for any acts or omissions which would constitute grounds for discipline of a person licensed in this state. A certified copy of the initial or final order or other equivalent document memorializing the disciplinary action from the disciplining state or territory shall constitute prima facie evidence of a violation of this section, and shall be sufficient grounds upon which to deny, restrict or condition licensure or renewal and/or otherwise discipline a licensee licensed in this state.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

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